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In re Application of:
Yuasa et al

Application No.: 10/025,588

Art Unit: 1713

Filed: December 26, 2001

Examiner: Helen Lee Pezzuto

For: Polycarboxylic Acid Copolymer, Production
Method and Use Thereof

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2003, please amend the
above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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